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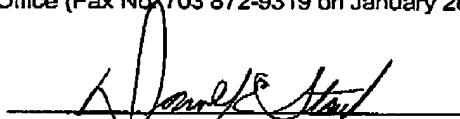
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This is in response to the first Office Action of October 28, 2004. Please amend the above-identified application as listed below and as set forth on the following pages:

Amendments to the Specification and Abstract

Claims

Remarks are included following the amendments